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SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 11, 1920

I know no such thing as geniusgenius is nothing but labor and dili--Hogarth. gence.

The Santa Rosa Lynching

While there must be some regret that the end of the men lynched at Santa Rosa yesterday morning could not have been brought about in a legal and orderly manner there will perhaps be no harsh criticism of the manner in which it was accomplished, We do not even like to speak of the aggregation of the citizens who took part in the affair as a "mob." Indeed, "mob" is hardly the right name for a body which seems to have been so well organized though for an unlawful purpose.

It has been said that the worst use we can make of a man is to hang him. Perhaps that is true as to the man himself, but we have society to think of; the man has placed himself beyond our consideration for his welfare.

These men, the proprietors of the "House of Terrors' where the most unspeakable outrages were practiced upon girls and women had added to that crime for which they deserved death, the murder of three officers who sought their arrest. After that it mattered little how their taking off might occur, so that there will be little criticism of the manner in which it occurred.

Not only had uncontrollable public indignation at Santa Rosa been aroused but there was that ever present suspicion of the law's delays, the uncertainty regarding adequate punishment of these fiends, the probability of penitentiary sentences in the cases of some of them, shortly to be commuted after the spasm of public anger had passed away. Naturally it was thought better to rid the earth of these men.

There is another phase of this case, which though It has no bearing whatever on what the citizens of Santa Rosa did yesterday morning. The girls and the women victims of these fiends are not blameless. They were in a sense contributory to the murder of the officers and so, to the lynching. To a certain point they went willingly to the fate prepared for them in the "House of Terrors." They met casually, these men, we believe, at public dances. They were Yet the women accepted automobile They were not seized and thrown into the Perhaps they were not carried by force into the trap which had been laid for them. There was something basically wrong with these females however respectable they may have believed themselves to be or however respectable and pure their neighbors may have believed them to be. Our pity for their woes must be somewhat restrained, though in this statement there is nothing to condone the crimes that were committed against them.

It is a matter of the deepest regret that their folly laid the way for the murder of these officers and therefore the blot which was placed upon Santa

The Committee on Irish Investigation

The British government, we think, is making a mistake in refusing to vise the passports of the American committeemen who have been designated to investigate conditions in Ireland. It is just a tactical mistake, characteristically British, but our government can find no fault with it. The British government, of course, is acting within its rights. The committee is of private origin. Our government has nothing to do with it; it has not even recognized the movement. It issued passports to the members of the committee just as it would have issued passports to any American citizen in good standing who might want to go abroad on legitimate business; that is, on any business not unlawful, and there its part in the matter ended. The British government looked upon the committee as an unfriendly one, as representative of American groups which are in sympathy with the Sinn Fein. Any report the committee might make, the British might easily believe would be biased.

Yet, such a report, or any report could not affect the position of Great Britain. It would perhaps not affect or change the American attitude toward the controversy between the government and Ireland. But the refusal of the Eritish to admit the committee will convince many who do not think deeply enough to consider the real reason for it, that Great Britain in its handling of the Irish question has something to conceal.

It would have been better, we are sure, if the British government had ignored the committee to the extent of admitting its members just as it would admit other American citizens, and after their arrival in Ireland, have thrown no obstacles in the way of their proposed investigation.

There might have been, there would certainly have been, private British resentment against the committee as an intrusion, just as we Americans would resent a private foreign investigation into unhappy conditions in this ocuntry, such as the southern, and, for that matter, the northern lynchings.

We did not feel very well toward British sentiment, mostly private, in favor of the south in the civil war. We certainly would not have warmly welcomed a committee of private Britons who would have come over to inquire into the justice of secession; to ascertain whether we were not imposing upon

The Enemies of All

Pedestrians stand in a position of hostility toward reckless drivers of automobiles. And they do not and cannot very well differentiate between those who are careless and those who are not. They include all automobilists in their disfavor and demand regulations which are embarraesing to careful driv-

Careful drivers should hasten to get on the right side of this controversy by joining the pedestrians for the proper curbing of careless drivers who are the enemies of both. They not only make automobiling an unpopular thing with those who do not have motor cars, but they are a direct menace to the cars of careful drivers and by their carelessness they often force good drivers into positions where they become responsible for accidents.

The safe driver, therefore, should feel greater hostility toward the reckless driver than the pedestrian should. Reckless driving results in more accidents between machines and injury to their occupants than it does to pedestrians. Occupants of machines are in more danger from other machines

than are the people in the streets. Safe driving then is not entirely a consideration of the rights of pedestrians but is a safety first movement for the drivers themselves. An attitude of hostility toward the reckless, careless or incompetent driver should be maintained by all owners of machines who themselves do not belong to that class, and this should include garage managers who might do much to identify machines which have been in accidents or have been used improperly.

We are apt to rely too much on legislation to remedy matters. Then we leave it to the police and traffic officers. The officers kenerally do the best they can but they cannot be everywhere and witness every infraction. Their work in order to be thoroughly effective must be supplemented by that of individuals organized into a body for systematic enforcement of traffic rules.

We hope soon to see such an organization in Phoenix.

Immediate Recognition

The citizens of Phoenix who attended the Obregon inauguration have returned with the warmest sentiment toward the present Mexican government. They think it should be recognized at once. Obregon is the kind of a man who deserves instant, unlimited recognition. There can be no doubt about his friendliness to the United States. Did he not pay all the expenses of the Arizonians to the border and deliver them back at the border f. o. b.? Did he not provide special trains to take them whither they might want to go from Mexico City to adjacent points of interest? Did he not throw open all the theaters and hotels of the Mexican capital to them and pay the bills and, we suppose, the tips?

What greater proof could he have given of his sincere desire to be on terms of amicability with

And, then, there were the banquets one after another, each with seven different kinds of wine. Champagne flowed like water, we are told. It was meant to take the place of water as a thirst quencher. There the president in his ignorance of local conditions erred; he had probably not learned that prohibition prevails in Arizona and that his guests from this state, good and loyal citizens, carry with them everywhere the spirit of their laws. They could not, therefore, avail themselves of Senor Obregon's liquid bounty but they thanked him for it just the same. Obregon was of course ignorant of the terrible test of their loyalty he made, but it triumphed and they were abstinent. They have overlooked the punishment he so inadvertently imposed upon them and they are demanding the immediate recognition of his government. If our federal government is inclined still to be stiff-necked about it, they ask: What's the matter with Arizona extending recognition?

NATURE BEAUTIFIES TOMBS

At the Tung Ling, or Eastern Tombs of the Manchus, nature has worked hand in hand with man to produce a harmonious whole. Most of the trees about the tombs have been planted, but they have been so cleverly chosen and placed that they look as if they had grown just where, in nature's scheme of things, they ought to be. There is nothing glaringly artificial in the appearance of the park. Although the tombs are alike in general plan,

they are at the same time as individual as were the emperors themselves. Each is a subtle expression of the character of the one who sleeps beneath the yellow roof. The tomb of Ch'ien-Lung, the artist emperor, lies not far away from that of the empress dowager. Stately, beautiful in its simplicity, it is an indication of his life and deeds. In striking contrast is the palace built by the empress for her eternal dwelling. Extravagantly decorated, vaingloriously declaring to the world the millions spent upon it, it represents admirably the personality of the fron-willed ruler who in life held her place by force and intrigue and lavish expenditure, and who was determined to be known even in death as the greatest of the great. But a hundred years from now, when Ch'ien-Lung's mausoleum, like the painting of an old master, has been made even more beautiful by the touch of age, that of the empress will be worn and tarnished .- Roy C. Andrews in Asia Magazine.

REFUTING A SLANDER About this time of year begin to look out for

jokes and gibes about the typical boy and the coming He is pictured as an expert grafter, extracting

coin from all the family, particularly father, and assuming an unwonted virtue for the weeks preceding Christmas in order that emoluments may ensue. Now as a matter of fact, the American boy early

begins to fret at his financial dependence and yearns for the time when he can come home with a pay envelope and help relieve the "old man" (a loving appellation) of the family burden.

It is more or less of a struggle to keep the average American boy in school. He wants to be doing things and doing them in some way which will express itself

in monetary returns. Nine times out of ten, given half a chance, he will find some way of making money out of school and hang to his job with a persistence which is the distress of his mother and the secret admiration of

herself and everybody else who notices. It is a proud day with him when he tells the family with an assumed and embarrased roughness that he doesn't want any more interference with his clothes, because he's pickin' 'em out and payin' for

'em himself. And as for Christmas, it takes the united pleas, protests and perturbations of the entire family to keep him from busting himself worse than Ponzi.

SOME SMILES IN RHYMES PLUS A LAUGH SOMETIMES

By Lorry Jacobs Says Granpa Gloom to Sonny Smiles, "It's raining hard today. And all the folks will be downcast who want to go and play." Says Sonny Smiles, "Perhaps they will, but I know folks who'll grin to see the rain. They're farmer folks. So pull your grouch

Says Granpa Gloom, "The sun is out and clothing men are sad. They cannot sell their overcoats unless the weather's bad." Says Sonny Smiles, "I guess that's true but still the folks who buy are glad to see such weather now so stop your gloomy cry."

"The clouds have covered up the stars. There's not a one above. And lovers quarrel, for they say, that stars help them make love." Says Sonny Smiles, "Again you're wrong, for lovers need no light to becken them along their path if love is shining

"The sea is angry with the world," said grouchy Granba Groom. "It bangs against the rocky with crashing, maddened boom." Says Sonny Smiles, "The sea is only singing out its song of happiness and joy to those who've known it well and long,"

SATURDAY NIGHT IS BATH NIGHT



FORTY YEARS AGO TODAY

From the Phoenix Herald, which was absorbed by The Arizona Republican in 1899, and for a time was published as an evening edition

Saturday, December 11, 1880

J. Birmingham and D. W. Anderson are registered at the Phoenix hotel. Chas E. McClintock, the editor and is in excellent condition. The farm "Muldoon" of the Herald left last has been rented and the famous "purp" evening on a trip to San Francisco.

The sale of the personal property A general court martial is appointed front of the courthouse.

ry Perkins, J. W. Sullivan and L. D. Egbert, judge advocate.

nia and are bound for Fort Whipple of th ecourthouse. A party of men of a New York syndicate operating in street to Jack Walters' saloon. Mr.

night en route to Prescott.

Andrew Port of Tempe is in town R. F. Kirkland left yesterday for today settling up the estate of Hiram Dunham, deceased. The estate is engiven away.

The sale of the personal property A general court martial is appointed DOUGLAS—The Arizona Powder of the estate of George W. Coats, de- to meet at Whipple Barracks on the company, of which C. E. Mills is pres-20th inst. It is to be composed of the following officers: Lieutenant Colonel R. S. La Motte, Maj. Johnson, Surper and Lieutenants of manufacturing suphyric acid. ceased, took place this morning in 20th inst. It is to be composed of the ident, has started construction on a The following are registered at the nel R. S. La Motte, Maj. Johnson. Sur- Arizona smelter here for the purpose Bank Exchange Hotel: Dr. L. Terry, geon J. O. Skinner and Lieutenants of manufacturing sulphuric acid, O. D. Lloyd, Dr. S. B. Farnham, Hen- smith, Evans, Darr and Captain J. C. which will be used by the company in

A drove of 66 mules passed through morning while our veteran auctioneer Dr. S. B. Farnham, a representative with the auctioneer in it across the mines in the northern part of the ter- Wiley, however, valiantly kept up his ritory, passed through Phoenix last little song and finally knocked down

ABOUT THE STATE

has learned that virue is its own re- is better grass .- Citizen.

Walking into the sheriff's office Tuesday, Clark advised Undersheriff Ed peace to clothier one day and from Bowers that he was wanted at Aber- clothier back to justice the next is the deen "for beatin' a boy wit' a club," so record of Judge Charles H. McLane, Bowers ushered him into Bradbury's who was called yesterday from his famous apartments and wired Aber- place behind the counter at Bilesdeen. Yesterday afternoon the follow- Lockhart's to the courthouse to pering reply was received:

James Clark is no longer wanted

sulted in removing a load from his con- Lane dropped a handsome slik shirt he science. He was released yesterday fice still wondering why he did it. Perhaps-well, Clark said yesterday as he was leaving:

the tariff back to Aberdeen!"-Journal-

Indian Forgets Trust TUCSON-Harry Encinas, charged with misappropriating money intrusted to him by the Indian farmers of the San Xavier reservation, and arrested United States Marshal James H.

which had been turned over to him crew to take care of the vessels in Central bank, gave a telling talk on commission, it is expected, at an early for the purchase of supplies in repair-

ing irrigation pumps, in watering of lands in the case of upon his venture of fortune by the con in the lobby of the Y. M. C. A. breaks in their pumping apparatus, the first of the year. Mullet, a highly money had been raised by an associa- prized salt water fish, which is said to coming road election. The meeting to Encinas with which to purchase the the particular catch sought. They will equipment for repairs. Encinas ad- be brought to Yuma by auto trusequipment for repairs. Encinas au-mitted that he had squandered the and shipped from this point to the Miss Matle Doster. As usual with club said that he would pay it back.

Taking him at his word, Commissloner Jones released Encinas on his own recognizance for a further hearing Yuma will begin a business which may two weeks hence to give the man a eventually amount to enormous prochance to raise the money.-Star. Snowfall Is Light

TUCSON-Snow fall in the mountains about Tucson is far below normal so far this year, according to Stanley Wilson, forest examiner, who has just completed several trips over the forest reserve checking up the cordwood sup-Mr. Wilson said that in the Santa

highest peak in the range. Usually there is a heavy fall on this peak by this time of the year. Little snow has fallen on Mount Lemmon this year. The precipitation this year is said to

been below normal until Christmas. this side of Bisbee. During the months of January and February last the snows in the moun- dent, which was unavoidable, he refains were very heavy, but they came leased the steering wheel and leaped country.

moisture until the grass is entirely of an embankment. The blow on his the incorporators, including Lynn Ross cured, but it was pointed out that there head rendered him unconscious and Carter, Jessie James, Ada Jones, Geor-Having had an egg for breakfast. is now a shortage of stock water and as he rolled down the embankment git A. Owens, Elma Scaggs, Lue Ada the humble husbandman goes forth to grass is plentiful in places where there his leg was painfully cut.

Walker and Nola Hamilton, the toll feeling like a millionaire. grass is plentiful in places where there his leg was painfully cut.

unceremoniously dragged the wagon the wagon to Mr. Walters for \$29.

is no water. A good rain or snow the new plant will be made from the preservation of America, is taking PRESCOTT-James M. Clark, the would fill dry waterholes and start winquixotic traveler from Aberdeen, Wash., ter springs and permit the stockmen who sought shelter Tuesday at the to move their stock from ranges which operation will not require more than properly organize the anti-bolshevist county hotel run by Charley Bradbury, have been bitten down to others where

> Makes Quick Change PRESCOTT-From justice of the

for ma marriage ceremony. Notified by Jack Bemal, who had here. (Signed) J. E. Stewart, county journeyed to Prescott from Jerome with his bride-to-be, pretty Miss Elizhimself up to the hands of justice re- officiate at the ceremony, Judge Mc-

> the waiting couple. Miss Blatter was a former resident of Multnoma, Ore., but will now, as L. Cowgill, Miss Alice Birdsall and in your state to thwart this new inhusband in Jerome.-Journal-Miner.

Yuma "Fleet" Leaves Port

cidents and the act of God. Admiral making its report stated that it would George E. Tolen will personally take carry on the work begun and would command. Sail will be set for the Gulf seek to relieve the most pressing needs. held a like view and suggested that the Treahey, Monday, appeared before of California and the fishing concession It was announced that Miss Sham-Commissioner Edwin F. Jones Tuesday therein which the admiral has procured baugh would receive all information discuss ways and means of organizing from the Mexican government. The relative to the unemployed at the Y. W. It developed at the hearing that En- fleet will consist of two 25-foot boats C. A. cinas had failed to account for \$207 and will be manned by an adequate

The admiral expects to reach the fishing grounds by the first of the ing the report of the committee which In order that no time should be lost week and with good luck will be well was made at the club's noonday lunchof the Indian farmers and given abount in the waters of the gulf, will be money on pleasure and, if given time, West and East. Yuma patrons will luncheons, there was a brief social this fish on their tables.

With the sailing of the fleet from Young Nickerson. portions. It is known that many varieties of fish abound in the Gulf of California.

This fishing ground has not been touched by the hands of man. The mullet, a fish particularly prized on the Pacific coast, are reported to be existing in the waters of the gulf in enormous schools. It is believed by the people back of the new business Rith range recently he only found a big shipping point for the fish of the that Yuma will eventually become a California gulf -- Morning Sun,

Has Narrow Escape

DOUGLAS-Joe Harwick, former deputy sheriff narrowly escaped death ment. last night when the car which he was be about the same as last year, but driving turned over and burned on the When Hardwick forsaw the acci-

to the side of the road where his head struck a boulder at the bottom

car was traveling about 40 miles per hour. His failure to pay heed to the course of the vehicle, which ran into course of the vehicle, which ran into a dirt rut on the side of the road, caused the accident, he said. Wheels of the car running into the rut caused birn to lose control.

"Their kiddles must not be forgotten and Santa Claus must be called upon to visit each home and fill their little stockings with toys and delicacies as him to lose control. Upon recovering from the blow Mr. of old.

the motor.-International.

To Make Sulphurio Acid

the manufacture of dynamite and oth-Much amusement was created this er high explosives in the plant now being constructed at Land Station, 11 town yesterday from the railroad. was persuading a crowd to bid on a miles southeast of Benson. The con-They came from Missouri and Califor- wagon which he was selling in front struction of this acid plant will require five to six months, according to Mr. Mills, who was in Douglas today from his home in Warren

Mr. Mills stated that the acid plant would be expable of producing 30 tons tion that the sulphuric acid for the the request of the America. Defense powder plant would be furnished by society.

SCORES OF WOMEN

Recommending that women from So Clark's virtuous act in delivering abeth Blatter, that he was wanted to other sections be discouraged from promote commerce with soviet Russia coming to Phoenix to seek employ- is backed and financed by Lenine and ment, the committee appointed by the Trotsky and their agents in this counwas displaying to a customer, and Business and Professional Woman's try, whose main object is the overwith the knowledge that he is no longer dashed over to the courthouse where, club to investigate conditions reported throw of our government and the esat the call of young romance, he united Thursday that there were scores of tablishment of the red rule of revoluunemployed women in this city

The committee, composed of Mrs. R. "I guess them guys don't want to pay Mrs. Bemal, make her home with her Miss Shambaugh, were named to look sidious and dangerous propaganda of Makemson, who declared that there committees to combat this very urgent YUMA-The "fleet" will sail from were many unemployed in Phoenix at matter." Yuma tomorrow afternoon, barring ac- the present time. The committee in

D'Nean Stafford, president of the savings as a means toward adjust- date. ment of the financial situation, follow-Warren McArthur discussed the was presided over by Miss Fay Young and the chairman of the day was asalso be given an opportunity to have session, featured by a reading from Booth Tarkington by Mrs. Vivian

COLORED WOMEN OF PHOENIX FORM CLUB

Women's Clubs filed articles of incor- company: poration with the corporation commis- "The Standard Oll company has no

the snow last year is also said to have Bisbee-Douglas highway three miles several years and have carried on ties of Maricopa county or any other

Plans Well Under Way To Remember Poor Kiddies And Needy Families-Committee Formed

The poor kiddies and unfortunate families of Phoenix will not be forgotten this Christmas, even though everybody has troubles of his own. Children and adults alike will be remembered this yuletide and there will be toys and goodies for the kiddies and assistance for the elders. Plans for all this are well under way and a general_committee on Christmas activities is being formed.

The problem of providing a merry Christmas for those in Phoenix with whom misfortune is tarrying became a matter of discussion at the city commission meeting last Wednesday and the plan of the general Christmas committee, with representatives of civic and other organizations serving on it, was launched. In response to a letter of invitation from Mayor Willis H. Plunkett the chamber of commerce yesterday appointed W. R. Elliott as its representative on the

The mayor's letter for the civic body

"At the Wednesday morning meeting of the city commission it was decided to ask the various civic and other interested bodies and individuals to unite their Christmas activities in order that the greatest good may be accomplished for the greatest number. Through the proper co-ordinated effort the needy and distressed in all parts of the city may be easily reached. The commission believes that haphazard giving to some of our unfortunate brothers is in many instances harmful not only to the individual, but to the entire com-

"The call is very urgent this year, as unemployment has brought distress into many homes, and it behooves us to meet this call in a red-blooded, In an interview with Hardwick, who tenance for those who are in need unis in the city today, he said that the til this temporary period of readjust-

"With the end in view of making this Hardwick said he found his car in a mass of flames. A tank of gasoline Christmas a memorable one and that carried on the side of the automobile no needy person or child in our comwas dented and cut when the car munity be forgotten or overlooked, we tirely free from debt and the property turned over and the gasoline splashed ask that you appoint one representaover the car and became ignited from tive to meet with the commission at an early date so that this committee may immediately adopt plans for carrying out your wishes.'

PRO-RED SCHEME

A determined fight against the radiof acid per day of a very high percent- cal element and the spread of bolshevage, as compared with the acid now ism is to be made in Phoenix as a reproduced at the C. & A. smelter for sult of plans laid at the city commisuse at Ajo. It had been the assump- sion meeting Wednesday morning at

the C. & A. until Mr. Mills announced The American Defense society, a naoday that he had started the erection tional organization given to the fura separate plant. The product of therance of Americanism and the sulphur fumes from the copper smelt- steps to guard against the spread of er. When this plant is completed its bloshevism in the United States. To six or eight men, Mr. Mills says,-In- forces in the different communities, the society has sent out the following

telegram: "A vigorous nation-wide campaign to force the United States government to recognize soviet Russia is being made falsely in the name of organized labor by such men as Harry Weinperger of the Farmer-Labor party, Leonard Minz of the Independent Workers' league, Edward I. Hanna and other radicals the Farmer-Labor party, Leonard Minz who opposed the interests of the United States in the great war. There is tion. The American Defense society into conditions following a talk before the enemies of America. We will be the club a week ago by Mrs. Mau. glad to aid in establishing citizens

> City Manager V. A. Thompson stated that he thought it a matter that should a committee similar to the one suggested by the national society. Definite action will be taken by the

STANDARD OIL NOT IN ROAD BOND SUIT

An erroneous impression that the Standard Oil company is in some manner concerned in the Maricopa county highway bond litigation has been created, declares that company, because of articles in Arizona newspapers describing a meeting near Phoenix on November 23 when the Maricopa couny highway program was discussed. The sole interest, a statement from

that company had in the matter ended ast spring when the company bid for furnishing Maricona county with a cer-The Phoenix Federation of Colored tain quantity of asphalt. Says that

ie Standard Oll company says, that

sion yesterday, stating the organiza- part whatever in the litigation in contion was formed for the purpose of nection with the Maricopa county bond mental, moral and spiritual advances issue. The Standard Oil company has made no effort to interfere, nor will its. The colored women have been active policy permit such an attempt, with n club work in this city for the past the decision of the people and authorisplendid programs covering the differ- county, and in the Maricopa county ent departments of work emphasized situation has taken ne action beyond in the club movement throughout the submitting a bid and placing before the authorities statements concerning the Among the leading club women in use of asphaltum for paving and road